

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 SALT T 01385 021150Z

42

ACTION SS-30

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 CIAE-00 INRE-00 /031 W

----- 095589

P R 021215Z MAR 74

FM USDEL SALT TWO GENEVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2243

INFO SECDEF WASHDC

S E C R E T SALT TWO GENEVA 1385

EXDIS/SALT

SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR SECDEF

E. O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PARM

SUBJECT: EXPLORATION OF VERIFICATION PROBLEMS WITH SOVIETS

(SALT TWO 392)

REF: A) SALT TWO 386 - GENEVA 1346;

B) SALT TWO 390 - GENEVA 1378

1. AS NOTED REFTTEL A, SHCHUKIN HAS CLEARLY BEEN DESIGNATED TO EXPLORE MIRV VERIFICATION PROBLEMS WITH NITZE AND IS WELL BRIEFED TO ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS. I INTERPRET THIS AS A FAVORABLE PORTENT OF A GENUINE INTEREST IN EXAMINING THE POSSIBILITIES OF A MEANINGFUL MIRV LIMITATION. WHETHER THE DECISIONS THEY ULTIMATELY TAKE WILL BE IN THE BALL PARK OF WHAT WE WOULD FIND ACCEPTABLE, OF COURSE, REMAINS TO BE SEEN. HOWEVER, TO EXPLORE TO THE MAXIMUM THE TREND OF THEIR THINKING, I THINK IT IMPORTANT TO ENCOURAGE THE DIALOGUE WHICH SHCHUKIN CLEARLY WANTS TO HAVE WITH NITZE. THEREFORE, UNLESS WASHINGTON HAS OTHER VIEWW, I AM AUTHORIZING NITZE TO CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE IN THE FRAMEWORK OF ATTEMPTING TO ELICIT SOVIET VIEWS ON MIRVED MISSILE VERIFICATION, WHILE MAKING IT CLEAR THAT ANY VIEWS THAT NITZE MAY FIND IT NECESSARY TO EXPRESS ON POSSIBLE PATHS TO SOLUTIONS THAT MAY COME UP IN THE COURSE OF SUCH CONVERSATIONS ARE ENTIRELY PERSONAL AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENT U. S. G. VIEWS.

JOHNSON

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 SALT T 01385 021150Z

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 02 MAR 1974
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974SALTT01385
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: RR
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: SALT TALKS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740372/aaaacotv.tel
Line Count: 60
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 74 SALT TWO 386 - GENEVA 1346, 74 SALT TWO 390 - GENEVA 1378
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18 JUN 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <18 JUN 2002 by kelleyw0>; APPROVED <27 JAN 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: EXPLORATION OF VERIFICATION PROBLEMS WITH SOVIETS (SALT TWO 392)
TAGS: PARM
To: SECSTATE WASHDC WASHDC
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005